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The Hon. Kay Granger Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations H-307, the Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Hon. Rosa L. DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the University of Wisconsin-Madison PFAS Center of Excellence Analytical Equipment Upgrades project in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is:

University of Wisconsin-Madison 163 Bascom Hall 500 Lincoln Drive Madison, WI 53706

This project is an appropriate use of federal funds because it will support research conducted in the University's new Center of Excellence in PFAS Environmental Science, which seeks to examine the sources and fate of PFAS in surface waters, groundwater, and the atmosphere, a key priority for preventing future contamination and establishing adequate source control standards. The research will also investigate how PFAS move in aquatic ecosystems and groundwater, with the goals of understanding PFAS lifetimes and informing remediation efforts. Funding will be used to procure new, state-of-the-art research instrumentation needed to fingerprint PFAS sources in order to use PFAS forensics to identify sources and prevent further contamination.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 272 of title 15, United States Code.

I certify neither I nor my immediate family, have any financial interest in this Community Project Funding request.

Sincerely,

Mark Pocan Member of Congress